Remarks

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the amendments and the following remarks. For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable over the cited references.

The final Office Action dated July 19, 2004 indicated that claims 2-5 and 11-28 are allowed; claims 1, 7 and 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over *Berthoumieux et al.* in view of *King*, claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over *Berthoumieux et al.* in view of *King* and *Krasner*; and claims 8 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over *Berthoumieux et al.* in view of *King* and *Cidon et al.* (all of record).

In view of the present cancellation of claims 1 and 6-10 without prejudice, and the indication of allowance of remaining claims 2-5 and 11-28, Applicant believes that the application is in condition for allowance.

A notice of allowance to that effect is respectfully solicited. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (651) 686-6633.

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